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TO AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES IMMEDIATE

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FOR THE CHARGE FM ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY STEDMAN

E.O. 11652:GDS

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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR'S GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

1. ADMINISTRATION IS DRAWING UP BRIEF AND TIGHT LISTS OF SPECIFIC POLICY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR AMBASSADORS AT EACH POST, UPDATING AND FOCUSING MORE SHARPLY THOSE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES WHICH HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN SET FORTH IN CONNECTION WITH BUDGET/POLICY PROCESS. THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES WE HAVE DEFINED FOR YOUR MISSION ARE:

2. HUMAN RIGHTS

-- PERSUADE THE ARGENTINE MILITARY GOVERNMENT THAT GREATER RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IS IN ITS OWN SELF-INTEREST AND ESSENTIAL FOR A RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UNITED STATES WHICH WILL PERMIT US TO BE SUPPORTIVE IN THE ECONOMIC, COMMERCIAL, AND MILITARY FIELDS. ASSIGN PRIORITY TO RESTORATION OF DUE PROCESS. (ALL SECRET

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USG AGENCIES SHOULD SUPPORT THIS EFFORT.)

NON PROLIFERATION

-- PERSUADE THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT TO RATIFY AND SUPPORT THE TREATY OF TLATELOLCO AND FOREGO THE

ACQUISITION OF AN INDEPENDENT REPROCESSING CAPABILITY.  
(STATE AND EMBASSY ACTION.)

#### SOUTHERN CONE

-- AS NECESSARY, STEER ARGENTINA FROM PARTICIPATION  
IN OR SUPPORT FOR A SOUTHERN CONE MILITARIEST BLOC.  
(STATE, DOD AND EMBASSY ACTION.)

#### ECONOMIC

-- COMPETE FOR INCREASED SHARE OF ARGENTINE IMPORTS,  
WHICH CURRENTLY YIELD THE UNITED STATES A \$250 MILLION  
SURPLUS, AIMING AT A 20 MARKET SHARE, AND ENCOURAGE  
THE STRENGTHENING OF FREE MARKET POLICIES. (STATE,  
COMMERCE, AND EMBASSY ACTION.)

-- ENCOURAGE ARGENTINA'S MODERATE, INFLUENTIAL VOICE  
IN INTERNATIONAL FORA, NOTABLY ON NORTH-SOUTH ISSUES.  
(STATE AND EMBASSY ACTION.)

#### SECURITY

-- HUMAN RIGHTS PERMITTING, SEEK TO MAINTAIN THE US  
AS A PARTIAL SUPPLIER OF ARMS AND TRAINING, KEEPING IN  
MIND THAT ARGENTINA'S IMMENSE FOOD AND POSSIBLY  
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PETROLEUM RESOURCES MAY GIVE IT GREATER STRATEGIC  
SIGNIFICANCE IN THE FUTURE. CONCURRENTLY SEEK TO  
LIMIT COMMUNIST INROADS INTO ARGENTINA, A POSSIBILITY  
THAT IS FACILITATED BY ARGENTINA'S \$350 MILLION TRADE  
SURPLUS WITH THE COMMUNIST STATES. (STATE, DOD,  
EMBASSY ACTION.)

#### SCIENTIFIC

-- MAINTAIN US-ARGENTINE SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION,  
PARTICULARLY IN ANTARCTICA, WHERE ONE OF OUR STATIONS  
IS SUPPLIED VIA ARGENTINA. (STATE, NSF, EMBASSY ACTION.)

#### CULTURAL EXCHANGE

-- GIVE SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO EXCHANGES OF JURISTS AND  
OTHER INDIVIDUALS WHO MIGHT INFLUENCE HUMAN RIGHTS  
PRACTICES. SECURE FUNDING TO PERMIT RISE IN LEADER  
GRANTS FROM 13 TO 16. (STATE, USIA, EMBASSY ACTION.)

3. THE ABOVE LIST PURPOSELY OMITTS SUCH TRADITIONAL  
"GOALS AND OBJECTIVES" AS IMPROVING RELATIONS, MAINTAIN-

ING EXISTING TIES AND ASSOCIATIONS, PROTECTING BUSINESS,

EXPANDING TRADE, AND US CITIZEN INTERESTS, AS WELL AS  
REFERENCES TO IMPLEMENTING BASIC POLICIES OF THE  
ADMINISTRATION SUCH AS HUMAN RIGHTS, NON-PROLIFERATION,  
ARMS SALES, AND DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE UNLESS THESE  
REQUIRE UNUSUAL OR PARTICULAR EMPHASIS OR DEEMPHASIS  
IN A GIVEN COUNTRY. NEGOTIATION OF NEW AGREEMENTS ON  
KEY SUBJECTS SHOULD BE INCLUDED AND IF THESE ARE NOT  
NOTED AND YOU BELIEVE THERE ARE AREAS WHERE SUCH  
NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE CONDUCTED, PLEASE MAKE ADDITIONS  
OR SUGGESTED CHANGES. WE WOULD LIKE YOUR COMMENTS BY  
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